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Thanks, Steve. I'm copying Teresa Kuklinski who's now covering Sub-Saharan Africa.

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China's Growing Investments in Africa

As China continues to rise as a global leader and economic powerhouse, Johns Hopkins SAIS experts weigh in on the implications of its growing investments and influence in Africa.

Director of International Development and Director of the China-Africa Research Initiative **Deborah Bräutigam** told *NPR's All Things Considered* that although the U.S. is a very large investor in Africa, the "U.S. investment has been on the decline, so we're withdrawing from Africa while the Chinese have been increasing." [Hear more](#)

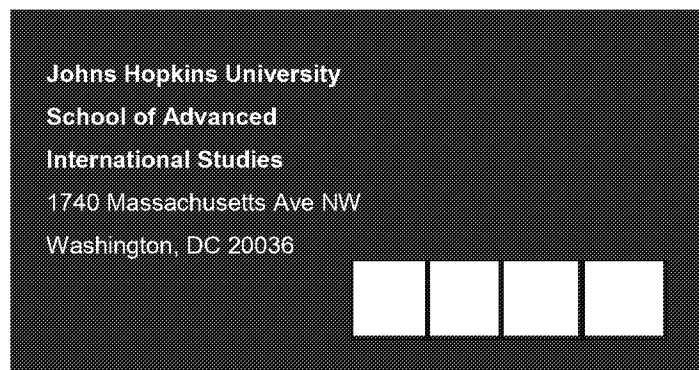
Research by the **China Africa Research Initiative (CARI)** said that as of 2016, China had accumulated an investment stock of nearly \$40 billion in Africa. [Read more](#)

A paper co-written by **Deborah Bräutigam** featured on *PBS NewsHour* said "Chinese banks and companies are offering finance that allows them to secure a greater share of the business deals in Africa as part of their move to 'go global.'" [Read more](#)

China's increasing soft power may have implications for global security. China Studies Director **David M. Lampton** told *Voice of America* that China may increase its military and security presence in Africa to protect its ventures because "as China's interests in the world grow, China feels entirely — as I think it should — entitled to protect its people. And that's going to lead to a more interventionist China." [Read more](#)

Upcoming event: The China Africa Research Initiative will host its 4th annual conference, "[Matters of State: Politics, Governance, and Agency in China-Africa Engagement](#)," from April 19 to April 20, 2018.

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